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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S WILL

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1. THE FOLLOWING IS THE EMBASSY'S INFORMAL TRANSLATION
OF PRESIDENT CHIANG'S WILL WHICH ACCORDING TO CHINESE
TRADITION IS ISSUED IN THE NAME OF THE CHIEF OF STATE
AT THE TIME OF HIS DEATH:

QUOTE: I HAVE FOLLOWED DR. SUN YAT-SEN AND ENGAGED IN
THE REVOLUTIONARY TASK EVER SINCE I BECAME AN ADULT.
I HAVE CONSTANTLY REGARDED MYSELF AS A FOLLOWER OF JESUS
CHRIST AND DR. SUN YAT-SEN AND I HAVE ALWAYS STRUGGLED
HARD FOR THE ACHIEVEMENT OF SAN MIN CHU I AND THE
RECONSTRUCTION OF A DEMOCRATIC AND CONSTITUTIONAL NATION.
DURING TH3 PAST TWENTY YEARS AND MORE, THIS BASTION OF
FREEDOM HAS EXPANDED AND STRENGTHENED EVERY DAY IN
ADVANCING THE POLITICAL STRUGGLE AGAINST THE COMMUNIST
EVIL ON THE MAINLAND. THE ANTI-COMMUNIST CAUSE AND THAT
OF NATIONAL RESTORATION WILL PROSPER; THEREFORE, THE
ARMED FORCES, THE PEOPLE OF THE WHOLE NATION, AND THE
COMRADES OF THE KMT, CERTAINLY MUST NOT WORRY AND BE
DEPRESSED BECAUSE OF MY DEATH. I EARNESTLY HOPE YOU
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WILL BE FIRMLY UNITED AND OBSERVE THE LEADERSHIP OF OUR

PARTY AND THE GOVERNMENT AND THAT YOU WILL UPHOLD THE THREE PEOPLE'S PRINCIPLE'S IN THE SPIRIT OF DR. SUN YAT-SEN AND TAKE NATIONAL RESTORATION AS YOUR COMMON OBJECTIVE. MY SPIRIT WILL FOREVER BE WITH YOU, MY COMRADES AND FELLOW-COUNTRYMEN. TO IMPLEMENT SAN MIN CHU I, TO RECOVER THE MIANLAND, TO REVIVE NATIONAL CULTURE AND TO DEFEND THE DEMOCRATIC CAMP HAVE BEEN MY LIFE'S AMBITION. IT IS ALSO THE UNANIMOUS REVOLUTIONARY RESPONSIBILITY AND GOAL OF THE ARMED FORCES AND COMPATRIOTS AT HOME AND ABROAD WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED THE DETERMINATION TO FIGHT. I THEREFORE ASK THAT YOU FURTHER STRENGTHEN YOUR DETERMINATION, REINVIGORATE YOURSELVES AND THAT YOXU NEVER CEASE IN YOUR EFFORTS UNTIL YOU HAVE FULFILLED YOUR NATIONAL REVOLUTIONARY RESPONSIBILITY. NEVER JRELAX AND BE CARELESS. ALWAYS BE HARD WORKING AND BRAVE.

RECORDED BY CH'IN HSIAO-I UNDER INSTRUCTION ON MARCH 29, 1975 SIGNED BY: MME. CHIANG KAI-SHEK, YEN CHIA-KAN, CHIANG CHING-KUO, NI WEN-YA, T'EN CHIUNG-CHING, YANG LIANG-KUNG AND YU CHUN-HSIEN. UNQUOTE

2. CHIN HSIAO-I (4440/1321/0308) WHO IS CITED ABOVE AS OFFICIAL RECORDER OF THE WILL HAS BEEN A SPEECH WRITER FOR PRESIDENT CHIANG FOR MANY YEARS AND IS A FORMER CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY. NI WEN-YA (0232/2429/0069) IS PRESIDENT OF THE LEGISLATIVE YUAN. TIEN CHIUNG-CHIN (3944/8713/6930) IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE JUDICIAL YUAN. YANG LIANG-KUNG (2799/0081/0501) IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE EXAMINATION YUAN. YU CHUNG-HSIEN (0151/6945/7535) IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONTROL YUAN.
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